The Honorable Lisa P. Jackson Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. - 1101-A Washington, DC 20460

Dear Administrator Jackson:

Congratulations on your appointment to lead the Environmental Protection Agency. The members of the Clean Air Act Advisory Committee (CAAAC) would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to the Agency. Many of our members have already had the pleasure of working with you and we believe your extensive expertise in environmental protection will serve the Agency and the Nation well. We look forward to working with you on the many important challenges facing air quality management in the United States.

The CAAAC is a senior-level policy committee established to advise the U.S. EPA on issues related to implementing the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990. The 45 members of the committee represent state, tribal, and local government, utilities, industry, environmental and public interest groups, as well as academic institutions, unions, and trade associations. The CAAAC has supported the agency for 18 years providing advice and counsel to EPA on a variety of important air quality policy issues.

Today we are proud to present to you our "Visions and Guiding Principles for the National Air Program." This report contains our vision and recommendations on moving the air program forward to accomplish the goals of the Clean Air Act. The report represents key consensus recommendations of the CAAAC and is based on our evaluation of five years of scientific and policy reports and analyses. The recommendations are vital to achieving clean air and identify urgent areas of concern such as climate change. We are eager to engage in discussions on the recommendations contained in this report and how CAAAC can best assist the Agency.

We realize that you have heard from many constituency groups on how to proceed with specific issues regarding air quality management. We believe that our overarching vision and balanced consensus recommendations will help guide the new Administration as you craft your air quality management plan for the next several years. We are excited about

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hearing your thoughts on air quality management and our report. We would like to take this opportunity to invite you to our next meeting so we can further discuss and refine the recommendations and identify areas in which the CAAAC can best support you over the coming years.

Sincerely,

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